

House Resolution No. 4336

Whereas, upon occasion the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize those outstanding Missourians whose desire to live life to the fullest has been an inspiration to others; and

Whereas, on September 18, 1913, Frank Gates was welcomed into the world by the smiling faces of his parents, and moved to Missouri in 1934 from the Logan, Kansas, area, traveling for ten days by team and wagon; and

Whereas, Frank Gates relocated to the City of Craig in 1939, where he farmed, operated a grocery and feed store, and managed a trucking business before retiring from Holt County Co-op in Mound City in 1978; and

Whereas, Frank Gates found the love of a lifetime when he married his beloved Roberta Lizar, a remarkable woman of peace and kindness with whom he will celebrate their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary in December 2003; and

Whereas, a devout member of the Craig Presbyterian Church who enjoys woodworking and growing pumpkins, Frank Gates compiled an enviable list of service to the Craig community as mayor and president of the Kiwanis Club; and

Whereas, Frank Gates has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Roberta Gates; his son and daughter-in-law, Dennis and Sharon Gates of Shenandoah, Iowa; his grandsons and their spouses, Jeff and Chrystal Gates of St. Joseph, and Phillip Gates of Stateline, Nevada; and his two great-grandchildren, Josiah and Elora Gates of St. Joseph; and

Whereas, now ninety years young, Frank Gates faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good life, sharing his experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with those he holds most dear; and

Whereas, Frank Gates commemorated the joyous occasion of his Ninetieth Birthday on September 13, 2003, with a festive celebration at the Craig Presbyterian Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for Frank Gates as he proudly celebrates nine decades of achievement, and in wishing him much peace, prosperity, and contentment as he continues his journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Frank Gates of Craig, Missouri.

Offered by _____

Representative Brad Lager

District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4336, adopted October 2, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker